

ORDINANCE 2017-12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2016-24 TO ADD ADDITIONAL HOLIDAYS FOR THE USE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN

WHEREAS, the Town Council for the Town of Whitestown, Indiana ("Town Council") has previously adopted Ordinance 2016-24, Concerning the Use of Consumer Fireworks Within the Town ("Fireworks Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, the Whitestown Human Relations Commission ("HRC") has adopted HRC Resolution No. 2017-1, urging the Town Council to add two fireworks-approved holidays to the Fireworks Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that it is in the public interest of Whitestown and its citizens to provide for additional fireworks-approved holidays in the Town, in recognition of the growing segment of the Whitestown population that celebrates Diwali and the Chinese New Year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, as follows:

Section 1. Section 1 of the Fireworks Ordinance is hereby amended to add the following additional dates and times in which legal consumer fireworks may be used, ignited, or discharged within Whitestown:

- l. between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. on the third day of Diwali (date varies annually between the end of October/early November) unless a different day of Diwali is selected by the HRC in a given year; and
- m. between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. on the first day of the Chinese New Year (date varies annually between January 21st and February 20th).

Section 2. The Town Manager shall post on the Town's website the designated dates for fireworks for the varying holidays set forth in Section 1, as may be set by the HRC where applicable.

Section 3. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and the invalidity of any phrase, clause, or part of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remainder of this Ordinance or Ordinance 2016-24.

Section 4. All other provisions of the Fireworks Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect and apply to Section 1 of this Ordinance.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, on _____, 2017.

THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN
OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA

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